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The Communist Party in Galicia by 28 November 1948 had received the following instructions from the Spanish Communist Party in France:

At present it is more essential than ever for the Party leaders to be closely united to the rank and file and to defend the interests of the latter. To accomplish this, the directorate of the Communist Party in Galicia will adjust itself to carrying out the instructions which have been given to the Party and its greatest concern will be the dissemination of the Communist program among rural elements, the strengthening of the workers trade-union action, and the closest cooperation possible with guerrilla forces for attainment of the goals assigned to them.

The directorate of the Communist Party in Galicia will keep in mind that present circumstances necessitate a constantly greater development of the insurrectional fight extending beyond the functions entrusted to the guerrilla forces so that the Party will attain an importance among the civilians comparable to that of the guerrillas. Under these conditions, the directorate of the Communist Party in Galicia will have sufficient authority to organize the Party in Galicia so that it can be an effective instrument in the fight against Francoism.

Two factors have been brought to light from recent events which occurred within the Communist Party in Galicia and from reports made by some guerrilla groups: 1) The Franquist Police have been able to penetrate into the Party itself; 2) certain local directorates have acquired a bureaucratic mentality hindering even guerrilla action. The present directorate of the Communist Party will try to avoid repetition of such situations in the future by suspending the members who they consider deserve such action and by subjecting them, in serious cases, to examination by the Central Committee delegate in the Interior, or with the latter's authorization by placing these cases under guerrilla jurisdiction. The theory of a numerous Party will have to be sacrificed to the present need for an "insurreccional instrument" Party.

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In regard to the general antifranquist policy of the Communist Party, the Directorate of the Communist Party in Galicia will follow the suggestions offered by the Central Committee Delegate in the Interior in connection with instructions for the creation of antifranquist republican organisms; the collaboration to be offered to clandestine labor unions; assistance to organizations of antifranquist masses. The Communist Party in Galicia is instructed to defend, along with republican principles and the establishment of a regime not founded on previous compromise with reactionary forces, the automatic establishment of an autonomous regime for Galicia simultaneously with the restoration of the Republic and of the democratic State.

Reports from the "Cara al Interior" section of the Spanish Communist Party indicate that Galicia is the section of Spain where the largest number of local, regional and provincial (at least in the provinces of Orense and Pontevedra) committees have been formed, of sufficient strength to be used as the basis of greater activity. The directorate of the Communist Party in Galicia is instructed to establish closer relations with organisms already in existence; to encourage antifranquist organizations to join these organisms; and to orient the activities of those organisms for the attainment of the ends which we seek and to make them effective.

The Directorate of the Communist Party in Galicia will try to establish contact immediately, with the Directorate of the Republican Bloc in Galicia, with members or former members of the Galician Socialist Party, with the Directorate of the Committee of the Agrarian Group of Pontevedra, with the Committee of United Trade-union Action of Orense, and with the Union for Labor Unity (Union de Pro-Unidad Sindical) of the Shipyards and Maritime Factories of El Ferrol, organizations which according to reports received, would be willing to collaborate extensively with the Communist Party.

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